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SUBJECT: MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS

REF: (A) STATE 220847 (NODIS); (B) RIYADH 0038 (NODIS)

1. AT 1600 BRUSSELS TIME IN RESTRICTED COUNCIL SESSION
MISSION DISTRIBUTED TO EACH MEMBER A COPY OF THE TEXT OF THE
PROPOSED EGYPT-ISREAL AGREEMENT AS CONTAINED IN REF A, AND
AMBASSADOR RUMSFELD DREW ON REF B TO PUT THE AGREEMENT TEXT IN
PERSPECTIVE. RUMSFELD EMPHASIZED THAT DESPITE VARIOUS NEWS
STORIES PURPORTING TO SET FORTH HIGHLIGHTS OF ALLEGED EGYPT-
ISREAL AGREEMENTS, THE TEXT HE HAD JUST DISTRIBUTED SHOULD BE
TREATED WITH THE CARE ITS CLASSIFICATION REQUIRES UNTIL THERE
WERE OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CONTENTS.

2. ACTING SYG PANSA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION SAID THE U.S.
GOVERNMENT AND SECRETARY KISSINGER SHOULD BE COMPLIMENTED ON
AN IMPORTANT ACHIEVEMENT WHICH EVERYONE HOPES WILL
MARK THE FIRST STEP FORWARD TOWARD A LASTING PEACE IN THE MIDDLE
EAST. DE STAERCKE (BELGIUM) ECHOED THIS SENTIMENT ON BEHALF OF
PERMREPS.

3. TURKISH DELEGATE ASKED WHETHER LIFTING OF THE BAB EL MANDEB
BLOCKADE HAD BEEN CONSIDERED IN ARRIVING AT TEXT OF PROPOSED
AGREEMENT. LUXEMBOURG REP ASKED IF THERE WAS FURTHER PRECISION
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ON TIME WHEN EGYPT AND ISREAL WERE EXPECTED TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT.
TO BOTH REUMSFELD REPLIED HE HAD NO INFORMATION OTHER THAN WHAT
HE HAD GIVEN.

R. DEPARTMENT PASS AS DESIRED.

RUMSFELD

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